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PREDATOR NOW IN ICE CUSTODY FACING EXTRADITION

Predator wanted by Anoka County authorities on sexual assault charges

ST. THOMAS, V.I.—A 27-year-old predator who was sentenced to five years in prison for engaging in sexual contact with a minor under 13 years of age is now in U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) custody.

Brian Casson Hornby, a citizen of Zimbabwe was taken into ICE custody Thursday following the completion of his criminal sentence. Hornby is removable by virtue of his criminal convictions under the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA). ICE has subsequently placed Hornby in removal proceedings.

A routine ICE criminal records check revealed that Hornby has an outstanding felony warrant issued by the Anoka County Sheriff's Office on a sexual assault charge involving a minor.

"Those who hurt our children must know that we will do everything in our power to ensure that they no longer remain in our country," said Leo I. Morales, acting special agent-in-charge of the ICE San Juan office. "We will leave no stone unturned until we find, arrest and remove these monsters."

This arrest is part of a nationwide initiative known as Operation Predator. Operation Predator protects our children from sexual predators, including those who travel across continents to have sex with minors. Internet child pornographers and criminal alien sex offenders and child traffickers are also a priority for ICE. Since the initiative was launched in July of 2003, there have been more than 5,730 individuals arrested nationwide.

ICE encourages anyone who wants to report suspicious activity of suspected child predators and suspicious activity through our toll-free hotline at 1-866-DHS-2ICE. Investigators staff this hotline around the clock.

Suspected child sexual exploitation or missing children may be reported to the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, an Operation Predator partner, at 1-800-843-5678 or <http://www.cybertipline.com>.

Hornby is in ICE custody at the Metropolitan Detention Center in Puerto Rico awaiting extradition to Anoka County where he will face criminal prosecution for sexual assault charges.

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U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement was established in March 2003 as the largest investigative arm of the Department of Homeland Security. ICE is comprised of five integrated divisions that form a 21st century law enforcement agency with broad responsibilities for a number of key homeland security priorities.